

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

[0001] This is a nonprovisional of U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. ~~___/___~~, 60/499,322, entitled "Processing Transactions Using a Semantic Network," filed on August 29, 2003 and identified by Attorney Docket No. EHP-003.60. This is also a continuation-in-part of co-pending U.S. Utility Patent Application No. ~~10/___~~10/642,126, entitled "Semantic Network," filed August 15, 2003 and identified by Attorney Docket No. EHP-002.03, which is a continuation of U.S. Utility Patent Application No. 10/382,480, filed March 6, 2003. Application No. 10/382,480 is a continuation of U.S. Utility Patent Application No. 10/185,945, filed June 28, 2002. Application No. 10/185,945 is a nonprovisional of U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/301,698, filed June 28, 2001 and is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Utility Patent Application No. 09/833,097, filed April 10, 2001. Application No. 09/833,097 is a nonprovisional of U.S. Provisional Patent Application Nos. 60/221,173, filed July 27, 2000; 60/223,845, filed August 8, 2000; and 60/258,969, filed December 29, 2000. This claims priority to and the benefit of the patent applications identified above and these applications are also incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.

[0002] This is also related to the following co-pending and concurrently-filed U.S. Utility Patent Application Nos., the entirety of which are incorporated herein by reference: ~~10/___~~10/656,931, "Configuring a Semantic Network to Process Transactions," identified by Attorney Docket No. EHP-003.01; and ~~10/___~~10/656,909, "Processing Transactions Using a Structured Natural Language," identified by Attorney Docket No. EHP-003.03. This is also related to U.S. Utility Patent Application Nos., 10/680,863 and 10/681,052, both of which were filed on October 7, 2003.